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SENATE BILL 3295 By Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-931, relative to Tennessee HOPE scholarships for nontraditional students.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-931(a)(4), is amended by deleting the language "twenty-four (24)" and substituting instead the language "six (6)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-931, is amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(b) A nontraditional student shall be eligible for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship at the end of the semester in which the student has attempted a total of six (6) semester hours, if the student has a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75. A nontraditional student who does not achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 at the end of the semester in which the student has attempted a total of six (6) semester hours shall be eligible for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship, if the student achieves a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 at the end of the semester in which the student has attempted a total of twenty-four (24) semester hours. A nontraditional student who does not achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 at the end of the semester in which the student has attempted a total of twenty-four (24) semester hours shall be eligible for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship, if the student achieves a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 at the end of any semester in which eligibility is reviewed under §49-4-911.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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